

HUTCHESON SPLITS WITH AFL ON WARD CASE

Council Votes to Back Government in Stand



By Walter Lowenfels

PHILADELPHIA, May 3. — The executive council of the American Federation of Labor, after a stormy session today, adopted a statement backing the government and sharply condemning Montgomery Ward & Co.

William Hutcheson, GOP boss of the AFL's Carpenters, and America Firster, lined up with the company and denounced the government.

This was a major defeat for Hutcheson, for even his own supporters, usually sufficient to control the council, deserted him.

Referring to its own pre-invasion statement warning American labor against strikes, passed at its opening session Monday, the Council's announcement today said:

"We now warn the leaders of American industry that this is no time to strike against labor or against the nation."

"We interpret the action of Montgomery Ward & Co. as unwillingness to recognize the authority of the War Labor Board to render decision on labor disputes," the statement went on.

Putting the question whether industry should be permitted to violate the no-strike agreement, the council went on:

"We address this question to the American public and particularly to Congress which may be asked to come to the rescue of Montgomery Ward on the basis of false issues."

Especially significant is its recognition of the broad issue in the case. It did allow the fact that it is a CIO case to narrow its viewpoint.

The statement was released by President Green to reporters with the admission that debate upon it was "vigorous." He hardly had to say that for the shouting was loud enough for reporters in the hall to hear.

HUTCHESON BACKS AVERY

Hutcheson, also present at the press conference, minced no words in saying that he was in full agreement with America Firster Sewell Avery.

"It is not a war plant," he said.

He sided with the company's request for an election and charged that the government was "delinquent."

Swinging off into assurances that he was "still an American," Hutcheson shouted:

"I will not subscribe to this statement."

When Green was asked by what majority the statement was adopted, Hutcheson broke in to say, "let us say it was a decisive majority."

Hutcheson spoke only of himself as opposing the statement and there was no indication that any one of the 14 council members present had supported him.

Hutcheson, the GOP's labor head, has been closely associated with John L. Lewis in the America First crowd. His stand on the Montgomery Ward case points further to the GOP and defeatist interest in the Ward provocation.

Today's blow-off was another indicator of the sharp split that is now coming into the open. Yesterday Daniel J. Tobin, president of the Teamsters, condemned Green's endorsement of Sen. Gerald Nye and Rep. Martin Dies.



Did Anybody Say Soldier Ballots? Crowd swarms around CIO furriers as they distribute the applications by which servicemen can claim their votes. Some 8,000 were put into eager hands in the noon hour yesterday and there will be another handout at 26 St. and Seventh Ave. today. Participating in the distribution are members of unions affiliated to the Fur Dressers and Dyers Joint Board, the Furriers Joint Council and members of Fur Floor and Shipping Boys, Local 125.

—Daily Worker Photo

Dies Aide Defeated; Pepper and Hill Win

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All Meat Rations (Except 2) Ended

NO MORE POINTS NEEDED, BUT KEEP
YOUR COUPONS FOR ROASTS, STEAKS

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Soviets Destroy 90 Nazi Planes

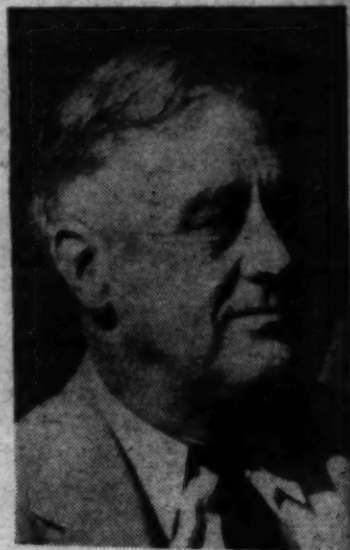
Leave Military Trains Blazing
In Mass Air Raids on Junctions

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Blame Dewey Man as 4 Firms Defy WLB

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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Soviet Airmen Blast Nazi Rail Centers, Destroy 90 Planes

LONDON, May 3 (UP).—Moscow reported Soviet warplanes yesterday and last night delivered a smashing five-way attack on Nazi airfields and rail centers, during which more than 90 enemy planes were destroyed.



The Japanese driving on the Peiping-Hankow railroad, already split at the vital Hulao Pass by one army, was nearing the southern section of the line at Ying-shang (arrow).

Tokio Launches New China Drive

CHUNGKING, May 3 (UP).—The Japanese have launched a new drive northward from Singyan, in Southern Honan Province, apparently aimed at a junction with other enemy forces pushing down the Chinese-held midsection of the Peiping-Hankow railroad, it was disclosed today.

Japanese cavalry started the offensive from Singyan Monday, the Chinese Central News agency said in a dispatch which also reported that the northern enemy spearhead had reached Fancheng, 68 miles south of Chenghsien.

Fancheng is 22 miles south of the important railway town of Hsueh-chang, which, a Chinese communiqué reported last night, was under fierce enemy attack.

Dilling Move Stirs Senate Ire

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Defense counsel in the Nazi plot trial were slapped down today by a subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which branded an appeal to the committee to intervene against Justice Eicher as "an attempt to intimidate..."

The appeal was made to Senator Pat McCarran, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, in the name of Albert Dilling, attorney for Elizabeth Dilling, the "Red Network" author, a defendant.

"The independence of the Judiciary must be maintained," said the three-man subcommittee in a letter to Senator McCarran today.

The letter signed by Carl A. Hatch, New Mexico Democrat, James O. Eastland, Mississippi Democrat, and John A. Danaher, Connecticut Republican, declared "the appeal to the legislative branch of government to interfere with the progress of the trial smacks strongly of an attempt to intimidate or influence the court in the discharge of its present lawful functions, which cannot be tolerated."

Judge Bailey tomorrow will hear the contempt charges against James J. Laughlin, attorney for Edward James Smythe and Robert Noble.

Selection of a jury in the trial of the 30 defendants begins Monday before Justice Eicher.

The daily broadcast Moscow war bulletin, for the 12th successive day, reported no important changes on the ground fronts.

Long-range Soviet bombers, in their 12th raid in 15 nights, smashed Tuesday night at the big southeastern rail junction of Lvov and also hit Sambor junction 43 miles to the southwest.

In Tuesday's daylight operations, Moscow announced, "large formations" of Soviet planes staged mass raids on Nazi airdromes around Lvov, Stanislov, 70 miles southeast of Lvov, and at Roman, Romania, 40 miles southwest of Iasi and 21 miles southwest of Targu Frumos.

Moscow said that at the time the daylight raids were made large numbers of German planes were on the airdromes, and the Soviet airmen destroyed over 90 planes by bombing and strafing. Roman is on the main line railroad running southward to Bucharest and is a major German stronghold.

The night operation was the sixth straight by the Soviet strategic bombers and the second consecutive assault on Lvov. About 20 fires were left burning among German military trains.

At Sambor, one German military train which had just arrived was left exploding. Soviet artillery, stepping up the siege of Sevastopol, is methodically pulverizing the German defense belt, Moscow dispatches said.

Guerrillas Active In Northern Italy

By Wireless to Inter-Continental News

GENEVA, May 3.—During April, guerrillas attacked a German airdrome near Contri, in Nazi-occupied northern Italy, burning two planes and taking fascist airmen and passengers prisoner, according to information that has seeped across the border. They destroyed several trucks in a German motorized column, sabotaged the railroad between Verona and Breenek, and executed the fascist mayor of Avigliano.

Airplane Parts Strike Called Off

NEWARK, N. J., May 3 (UP).—A strike in nine plants of the Breeze Corporations, Inc., manufacturers of airplane parts, ended today after about 1,400 workers voted unanimously to return.

Nazi 50-Division Tale a Fake

PRESS GOBBLES UP 'WEST FRONT' RUSE

Paul Goebbels pulled another neat propaganda trick out of his elbow yesterday afternoon, with a story from Stockholm that Germany had shifted 50 divisions to western Europe.

And our afternoon papers, like the World-Telegram, the Journal-American and even the N. Y. Post fell flat on their face for it.

The story came from Stockholm, allegedly quoting "detailed, uncensored reports from inside Germany." It was picked up in London by the Daily Telegraph, and then relayed to the American press.

Fifty divisions, reportedly making 100 divisions in the west, are supposed to have been transferred from the Eastern Front to face the Allied invasion armies.

ANOTHER HITLER RUSE

This is an obvious fake—since Hitler is in no shape to withdraw divisions from the east in face of the Soviet offensive preparations.

100-Mile Belt Of Nazi Coastal Rails Smashed

LONDON, May 3 (UP).—U. S. 8th Air Force heavy bombers maintained a battering-ram assault over France today, as the British Government revealed that Allied bombing fleets have crippled every major German railroad yard in a 100-mile-deep coastal belt from Cologne to the Bay of Biscay.

For the fourth straight day, big, four-engined Liberators pounded across the English Channel to smash Nazi fortifications in the Pas De Calais area facing the Dover Cliffs, carrying through its 17th day the almost nonstop invasion eve air offensive.

Some 200 Liberators made the short run, escorted by a similar number of Thunderbolt and Mustang fighters.

A small force of RAF Mitchell and Mosquito bombers of the 2nd Tactical Air Force, escorted by Spitfire fighters, followed up the heavy bombers by attacking Field Marshal Gen. Karl Von Rundstedt's defenses in northern France in the afternoon. The German radio said single Allied planes flew over southern Germany.

ILO Delegates Debate On Aims

PHILADELPHIA, May 3.—More differences broke out into the open at the ILO conference here today as many delegates spoke out against the statement on the organization's objectives proposed by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins in behalf of the American delegation.

Carlos Fernandez, Cuban workers' delegate joined Joseph Hallsworth, British workers' delegate in declaring the American proposals "vague and abstract."

"It is not sufficient to lay down vague principles," said Fernandez, in a short speech supporting the opposition expressed by Hallsworth, who said that the workers of the British Trades Union Congress "would kick over the traces if collective bargaining was not specifically recommended to the United Nations."

Collective bargaining, expressed in other resolutions, was omitted from the American draft under discussion.

Another workers' delegate, Percy James Clarey of Australia, said "the most important thing the conference can do is to tell the workers of the world exactly how they will stand after the war is over."

A proposal by the representative of the Australian Labor Government, John Beasley to refer the matter of full employment to a future conference for formal government agreement where a binding convention could be reached, was opposed by Hallsworth and Fernandez.



Jungle Fighting: On the alert and ready for Japanese snipers are Yank infantrymen darting into the New Guinea jungles after landing at Hollandia. These U. S. soldiers face peril every moment because those tall coconut trees make excellent roosts for snipers. Signal Corps Radiophoto.

Japanese Consul Gave Wright Cash, Trial Told

By LOUISE MITCHELL

Eiji Ishii, former employe of the Japanese Consulate in New York City, testified yesterday in the Federal Court that Frederick Heizer Wright, Daily News copy editor on trial for failure to register as a

Tokio agent, received cash payments from the Consulate's treasurer during 1940 and 1941.

The Japanese-American, who was educated in Tokio, said he has been told by Masoto Fujisakim, vice-consul, that Wright was "doing confidential work for the Consulate."

A special file on Wright was locked in the Consulate's safe, he said, and a coded cable sent to the foreign office in Japan included reference to the Daily News employe.

FORMER WIFE TESTIFIES

The Government continued its case for the second day with testimony from Mrs. Katherine Talbot Nelson, Wright's former wife; three American secretaries of the Japanese Consulate from 1928 to 1941; E. Carleton Baker, former member of the U. S. Consular Service in China; and representatives of three loan agencies and one bank in New York.

Mrs. Nelson explained that Wright had visited her in the fall of 1942 in Hartford and told her that if questioned by the FBI she should "not speak of money he had received or the publicity he had done for the Japanese."

She told of how in Tokio in 1935 she and Wright had been invited to Imperial garden parties. Though they had tough financial sledding in Tokio, she said, Wright had friends in the government. In New York, Wright received telephone calls and messages at home from the Consulate, she testified.

Baker said Wright told him that he was working for the Japanese Consul here, Kensuke Horinouchi.

During a conversation in the Spring of 1932, he said, Wright grabbed his briefcase and said, "I must hurry now, I have some papers which I must take to the Japanese Consulate for Horinouchi to go over."

Three Consulate workers, Mrs. Olivia O'Hara, Miss Catherine Henry and Mrs. Sylvia Friedman, testified they had seen Wright about once a week in the Consulate and that he often entered the treasurer's office.

Government witnesses testified Wright had made ten loans from the Modern Industrial Bank, National Loan Co., Morris Plan Bank and National City Bank from 1937 to 1941.

The trial resumes today.

Councilmen Will Chair C.P. Event

The Communist members of the New York City Council—Ben Davis, Jr., and Peter V. Cacchione—will be co-chairman at the final (public) session of the 1944 National Convention of the Communist Party Tuesday night, May 21, at Madison Square Garden. They will be presented by William Z. Foster, national chairman of the party.

Earl Browder, general secretary, will report on the convention sessions.

Other speakers will include Gilbert Green, secretary of the New District of the CP, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Bob Thompson, holder of the DSC, Ella Reeve Bloor and Arnold Johnson, district secretary of the CP.

Among fraternal delegates to speak will be Salvador Ocampo, co-secretary of the Chilean Federation of Labor, and Lucien Midol, General Secretary of the French Railwaymen's Union and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of France and of the French Chamber of Deputies.

Tickets from 50 cents to \$2 are available at Workers Bookshop, 50 E. 13 St.

Starnes, Dies Aide, Defeated; Pepper and Hill Win in Primaries

All Meat Rations Ended Except Steaks, Roasts

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP).—All meats except beef steaks and beef roasts will be made ration-free at midnight tonight and red point values will not be restored to them again "unless absolutely necessary," the Office of Price Administration announced unexpectedly today.

The surprise move was at once a tremendous blow to Black Market operators and a bonanza to consumers, farmers and harassed storekeepers—a number of whom had quit business because of complicated bookkeeping and checking systems necessary under stringent rationing—as well as to housewives who have been hard put to make ends meet with the points available.

The action was revealed by Administrator Chester Bowles, who announced simultaneously that, effective Sunday, the monthly allotment of red points will be cut from 60 to 30 per consumer because so many points no longer will be needed.

Henceforth, red points will be needed only for beefsteaks, beef roasts, butter, margarine, cheese, cheese products and evaporated milk.

After midnight, consumers no longer will be required to surrender red points for pork, veal, lamb, mutton, beef flank steaks, beef hamburger, beef stew meat, all variety meats, sausage, ready-to-eat meats or canned meats or fish.

Asked if the new meat ration order would affect meatless Tuesdays in local restaurants, Mayor LaGuardia said:

"For the time being it will be discretionary with each restaurant. We will observe the situation and judge accordingly. Of course, ceiling prices still continue."

Congress Wreckers Seeking To Stack Ward Probe Bodies

By ADAM LAPIN
Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The wrecking crew in Congress is making a determined effort to stack the investigating committees which will look into the Montgomery Ward case.

The purpose of this effort is to turn the investigations into smearing exhibitions against the Administration and prevent the American people from getting the real story about Sewell Avery, America First head of Montgomery Ward.

The Daily Worker learned that the investigator for the Senate Judiciary Committee is George M. Moore, former chief investigator and assistant staff director for the Byrd Economic Committee.

REACTIONARY PROBER

It had been Moore's job on the Byrd committee to attack practically all important administration agencies. Among his targets were the Farm Securities Administration, Office of Price Administration and National Youth Administration.

Senator Pat McCarran, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, has persistently refused to disclose even the name of his investigator even though it has been printed in the New York Times. The reason for the secrecy became apparent when Moore's background leaked out.

A similar effort to slant the House investigation is being made by Reps. E. E. Cox of Georgia and Howard Smith of Virginia. They are attempting to modify the Dewey resolution so that the investigation would be handled by the House Judiciary Committee headed by Rep. Hutton Summers, anti-labor Texan.

Speaker Sam Rayburn is reported to have been successful in scotching this move, and is determined to appoint the investigating committee himself so that the administration's side will have a fair hearing.

Moore's sponsor, Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia, succeeded late this afternoon in getting unanimous approval for his resolution authorizing the Senate Judiciary Committee to investigate the case. Majority Leader Alben Barkley did not object to the resolution, pointing out that the Judiciary Committee already has the authority and is investigating.

Barkley sponsored several amend-

ments to the resolution which were accepted by Byrd. One of these directs the committee to look into the background of Montgomery Ward's difficulties with labor as well as into the seizure of its properties. Another stripped the Judiciary Committee of power to look into the legality of the government's seizure of the Montgomery Ward properties.

The Administration is expected to make an effort to use the committees to tell the real story behind the Montgomery Ward case, and it is for this reason that obstructionist congressmen are so interested in controlling the personnel of the committee.

It is now the position of administration leaders in both the House and the Senate that the investigations will boomerang against their sponsors when the facts become known.

New Soviet Medals

MOSCOW, May 3, (ICN).—Two new medals, one "For the Defense of Moscow," and the other "For the Defense of the Caucasus" have been introduced by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR.

Negro Woman Beaten in B'klyn Police Station

Cacchione Aids Army Wife in New Brutality Case

Mrs. Elsie Davis, 555 Gates Ave., Brooklyn, who was kicked and beaten by police last Saturday when she protested mistreatment of a Negro prisoner, was yesterday held for the grand jury. She is charged with "assault" on the police.

Mrs. Davis, a Negro, wife of a soldier now overseas and mother of a small son, thus describes her experience.

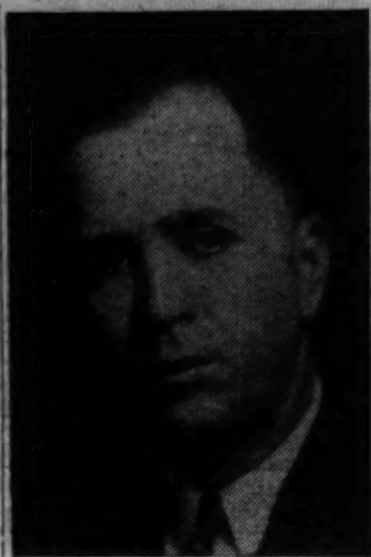
"I saw the cop beating the handcuffed man when I got off the bus coming from work. The cop was trying to keep the crowd back. He pulled his gun and I yelled, 'Look out, he's going to shoot!' A cop grabbed me and shoved me into the

patrol wagon."

Inside the 79th precinct station they knocked her down with blows in the face, kicked her in the stomach as she lay on the floor.

She told the Daily Worker that the police had beaten the man so badly "it looked like somebody had emptied a pail of blood over his head." A Miss Helen Clayton, 377 Monroe St., Brooklyn, another onlooker, was also beaten.

Mrs. Davis was represented in felony court yesterday by an attorney procured by Councilman Peter V. Cacchione. The councilman called the case to the attention of the Brooklyn Inter-racial Assembly at its meeting last night and pledged his cooperation to the end.



REP. JOSEPH STARNES

Says Dies Faces Negro 'No' Vote

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Confidence that Negroes of the Second Congressional District in Texas will "work actively in the coming Democratic primary to defeat Martin Dies" was voiced here today by Thorogood Marshall, special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"There is no question of their working against Dies," Marshall told reporters at a joint press conference with Judge William H. Hastie, vice-chairman of the District of Columbia branch of the NAACP.

Marshall told newsmen he felt there would be "no organized violence in any of the southern states over the Negroes voting," explaining that Negroes had been voting for years in general elections in most of the states and "there is nothing exceptional in seeing a colored man at the polls."

To support his belief about strong Negro opposition to Dies, Marshall cited the growth of unions in Port Arthur, Port Neches, Beaumont and Orange, all of which have developed recently with many Negro members.

Judge Hastie declared that in event of the refusal to permit Negroes to vote, local organizations of the NAACP and the Progressive Voters League have been instructed to avoid civil action and file affidavits with the U. S. District Attorney and a copy with Attorney General Frances Biddle.

"There'll be no more civil prosecutions. We are going to stand on the criminal statute in these cases," Judge Hastie said.

Mexico Ends Siestas

MEXICO CITY, May 3 (UP).—The afternoon siesta—a national institution—will be outlawed in Mexico June 1 in accordance with a presidential decree.

By MAX GORDON

Senators Claude Pepper and Lister Hill were virtually assured of reelection, and Rep. Joe Starnes, leading member of the Dies Committee, was retired from Congress by the electorate, late primary returns from Alabama and Florida revealed last night.

The results were a ringing victory for the Roosevelt Administration. Senators Pepper and Hill are outspoken supporters of the President's program, and their campaign was based on that support.

The opponents of Pepper and Hill made vain attempts to defeat them by whipping up anti-Negro hysteria against them and against them and against the President.

Incomplete returns last night showed Senator Pepper leading by a clear majority of close to 8,000, with 1,033 districts of the state's 1,407 counted. Pepper had 123,439 to 124,687 for all his four opponents combined.

In Alabama, Senator Hill's lone opponent, James A. Simpson, conceded defeat last night as the vote in 1,748 districts out of 2,500 gave Hill 95,882 to 74,970 for Simpson.

Starnes' defeat had not been expected. He has represented the fifth district in Alabama for the past decade and has been a member of the Dies Committee since its inception six years ago. He is apparently the only incumbent to be eliminated of the 28 seeking renomination in the four state congressional primaries yesterday. He was defeated by Albert Rains.

TEST OF NEGRO VOTE

The Alabama and Florida primaries provided the first test of the Supreme Court decision against barring Negroes in Southern primaries. Fragmentary reports indicated that many voted for the first time in the two states, but that many were also denied the right to vote.

In South Dakota, Senator Chan Gurney, one of the few Republicans who frequently supported the President's war policies, met the challenge of the anti-FDR Republican leadership and won renomination. He was leading Lt. Gov. A. C. Miller last night by a decisive margin of 8,000 votes with three-quarters of the districts in.

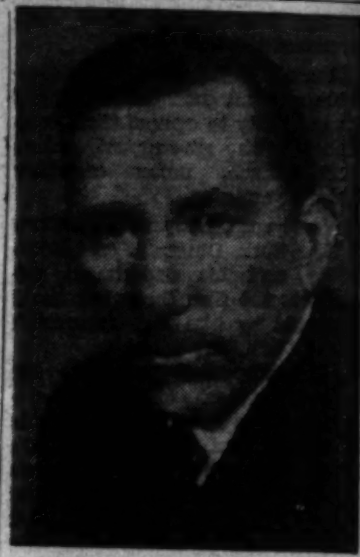
Republican convention delegates unofficially pledged to Dewey for President won over a slate pledged to Lt. Commander Stassen. Democratic convention delegates elected are pledged to a fourth term for the President.

In Indiana, all congressional incumbents were renominated.

Gandhi's Condition Reported Worsening

BOMBAY, May 3 (UP).—The condition of Mohandas K. Gandhi, who is suffering from anemia and low blood pressure, is somewhat worse and his blood pressure has fallen further, it was disclosed today.

The general condition of the imprisoned Indian leader, now 75 years old, is causing some anxiety.



SEN. CLAUDE PEPPER

Protest Dewey Anti-OPA Plan

Archie Wright, Farmers Union leader, joined yesterday with State and City CIO bodies in demanding of Governor Dewey and the State War Council that they do nothing to rescind or weaken a resolution passed last year giving OPA regulations the force of law in New York State.

The War Council is meeting today at Governor Dewey's call. The Governor is expected to ask the rescinding of the resolution in view of the fight of his Agricultural Commissioner, Chester DuMont, to destroy milk price ceilings.

Wright, leader of over 4,000 organized dairy farmers in the north country, charged a conspiracy against Federal price control on the part of the Dairyman's League, and that DuMont, backed by Dewey, is heading it. The reason for the conspiracy, he said, is political.

DuMont recently defied OPA by ordering dealers in the Albany area to pay farmers 60 cents a hundredweight above the ceiling. This would raise consumer prices by 2 cents a quart. The increase was supposed to go into effect Monday but OPA obtained a temporary injunction stopping it.

The Federal District Court in Syracuse will hear arguments on an OPA suit for a permanent injunction.

Ward Drive Hits Vital War Plants

Employer arrogance and provocation, stimulated by the supporters of Montgomery Ward, yesterday caused stoppages along a number of sectors of the war production front.

Fourteen plants totaling about 6,700 workers were affected in Detroit. The major walkout there was of a five-day stoppage of 1,600 foremen at six Briggs Manufacturing Co. and three Hudson Motor Co. plants.

Bomber parts production was crippled at the De Soto plants where nearly 2,800 workers were affected in a protest against reclassifications. At two Republic Aircraft plants in Detroit, 1,300 protesting disciplinary dismissals and layoffs quit their machines. Still another walkout involving about 1,000 workers was in progress at the Kelsey Hayes plant.

Union Blames Dewey Appointee as 4 N. Y. Firms Ape Ward Defiance

By Dorothy Loeb

Four New York title insurance companies have taken the Montgomery Ward & Co. path and are defying National War Labor Board orders in varying degrees.

Gov. Dewey and his appointee, State Superintendent of Insurance Robert Dineen, are blamed by the CIO United Office & Professional Workers, the union involved, for failing to oppose this newest spread of the Montgomery Ward anti-government fever.

Dineen's department has supervision over all such companies and has authority to compel their compliance with government orders. Ethel Beach, union organizer, charged yesterday.

In one case, Lawyers' Title Corp. of New York, Dineen is sole stockholder and his department administers the firm through a board appointed by him and responsible only to him, she said.

Title companies' resistance fits into the pattern of defiance developing since Sewell L. Avery made his grandstand play in Chicago. Some New York fur employers showed they had caught the fever when they threatened last week to reject any WLB decision that might come down in their pending case with the CIO Furriers Joint Council. In all three cases, the "not-in-war-industry" angle was worked as the so-called legal basis for non-compliance.

Defiance has spread to war industry, too. Management provocations at the huge Federal Shipyards in Kearny and Port Newark, N. J., were traced by the CIO Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers to Montgomery Ward "inspiration."

TITLE CASES

Direct refusal to comply with WLB orders came from Security Title & Guarantee Co. of New



BEN DAVIS, JR.

Davis to Report To Constituents

The "End Jim Crow" rally at the Golden Gate Ballroom this Sunday will be important because:

- City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., will make his first report to his constituents.

- The rally will push the drive to send a Negro representative to Congress — ex-City Councilman Adam Clayton Powell.

- The audience and speakers will celebrate the gains being made through Councilman Davis and other progressives in the City Council to block future Jim Crow housing projects.

- In addition to Councilman Davis, speakers will be Earl Browder, Mr. Powell, and Benjamin Davis, Sr., rather of Councilman Davis and a former member of the Republican National Committee from the South.

- Admission tickets, at \$1.20 and \$2.20 include a six-month subscription to The Worker.

War Contractor Now Defies WLB

S. L. Avery's defiance of the War Labor Board under the pretense that mail order sales are dissociated from the war effort is now being copied in the center of war production.

Wylie Brown, president of the Phelps Dodge Copper Products Corp., holder of extensive war contracts, told Thomas Norton, Regional WLB, that he would not carry out board orders directing him to sign a union contract, the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers revealed yesterday. Brown defied the WLB at a formal hearing April 26, the union said.

Three thousand Phelps workers have pledged uninterrupted production while taking legal action to compel compliance.

York and the Kings County Capital Corp. of Brooklyn. Both refused to sign a union contract, saying they would contest WLB authority in court.

The Lawyers Title Corp., where Dineen holds sway, agreed to sign but insisted on an "under duress" type clause of the type that President Roosevelt outlawed by special order in the Montgomery Ward case.

Indicative of the Dewey administration's attitude toward labor, the issues which Lawyers singled out as included in the contract only because "imposed without legal authority" include grievance machinery, dismissal proceedings, job reclassifications, and other principles that are general accepted in union agreements today.

Dineen admitted to union representatives that he conferred with Lawyers Corp. board members on their appeal and agreed with their challenge, Miss Beach told the Daily Worker.

The fourth and largest company, Security Title & Guarantee, which employs 800, has indicated it will sign a contract later. However, all four are literally defying the WLB. The Board last Wednesday ordered compliance on a union contract within two days but as of today not one has complied.

"Responsibility for this situation rests squarely on the shoulders of Gov. Dewey and his appointee, Supt. Dineen," Miss Beach said.

"The department has the authority to intervene because it is charged with supervision of these companies and at Lawyers, actually administers. Failure to comply not only makes the state an indirect party to defiance of the Federal government but also threatens the sound condition of the companies."

The State CIO, the Greater New York CIO, the Buffalo CIO and scores of locals and individuals have written Gov. Dewey and Dineen demanding intervention but so far nothing has happened, Miss Beach added.

The Kings Co. is a double offender. When all four companies were ordered to give a 15 per cent salary increase in July, 1943, Kings refused and hasn't paid it yet.

Negroes Ask Rights For Loyal Japanese

Mayor LaGuardia's effort to keep Japanese-Americans out of New York City was criticized yesterday by the Negro Labor Victory Committee, which insisted that "Japanese Americans and loyal Japanese alike must be accorded the same rights and privileges granted to Americans of German, Italian, Finnish, Romanians or Hungarian extraction."



Members of the Navy and Marine Corps, wounded in the Pacific, bathe their way back to health at the curative waters of Glenwood Springs, Colo.

First Letters From Readers On New 'Daily' Tab Say 'Swell'

The new Daily Worker tabloid has evoked enthusiastic response. The readers say—swell! Here are a few sample letters. Writes a "Constant Reader": It's grand and gratifying. I, for one, am going to urge some more of my friends to become readers.

Max Perks writes: Congratulations on the new tabloid, especially for the excellent job on the format and general lay-out. Here's wishing you increased circulation.

"My wife and I," says another letter, "enjoyed it immensely. It is easier to handle and more attractive. The shape of the paper is reminiscent of the N. Y. Post but as long as that is the only similarity we can stand it."

Lillian Gilbert thinks "It is an inspiration to your readers and to the workers who rely on you for the best labor coverage."

"A Comrade" says: It is marvelous. The print is excellent. Easy on the eyes. Wealth of information. Sure fire competition. Covers everything. A practical move. Best of wishes. (This comrade would make a good editorial writer. Says the salient things with brevity!)

Reader Bertha Kessler writes: I shall keep this first edition as one of my cherished possessions. . . . This morning when I called for my Daily at the news stand where I get it every day, the man held it

up proudly and said: 'I am surprised the Daily Worker didn't do this a long time ago, it is a great improvement.'

Herald Trib Likes Our New Format

"Bold and modernistic" is the way the new Daily Worker typography was described by the Herald-Tribune in a boxed item yesterday telling of the new tabloid format. The item read:

"A tabloid version of 'The Daily Worker' made its appearance as the fifth such newspaper in New York.

"The 16-page paper, which will be reduced to 12 pages beginning today, is about the same size folded in two as the standard edition of six to eight pages. The new typography is bold and modernistic.

"A representative of the paper said that the tabloid had been under consideration for more than a year but that 'there was quite a bit of resistance from our conservative wing.'"

News Capsules

Snooky at City Hall Celebrates

Snooky, the lean and supercilious City Hall cat of many colors, celebrated her fifth anniversary yesterday by making a personal springtime inspection of the historic building. After a birthday feast of rationed canned salmon, tendered by CDVO workers, the feline mistress, whose usual fare is unrationed fish scraps from Washington Market, gave the city officialdom a brush-off and went about her duties as chief rat exterminator which she took over when Tammany, a gentleman cat, passed on to his reward in 1939.

Army trucks, one carrying mail, the other five with war prisoners and three military police, crashed at Lexington Ave. and 45 St., smashing a fuel tank on one truck. As flames shot out, a civilian car swirled into the wreckage. Seven persons were injured; 50 bags of mail destroyed or damaged.

No prisoner tried to escape.

He liked to tell people where to get off and he'll miss it, said Fred E. Pearson, Newburyport, Mass. conductor on the Boston and

Maine railroad for the past 54 years.

He's retiring at 66.

Siamese twins born at Phoenixville, Pa., are being kept warm with hot water bottles and heating pads. The twins are bound at the pelvis and cannot be separated by surgery.

Dr. Robert Burns Woodward, and Dr. William Von Eggers Doering, after 14 months' research have produced a synthetic quinine. It was announced at Cambridge, Mass. Woodward, an instructor of organic chemistry at Harvard and graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was aided by Doering, Harvard graduate.

The world's chief source of the natural product is Netherland East Indies.

Fire fighters in New Jersey relaxed after three days when they brought under control a half dozen forest fires that ravaged over 450 acres of woodland. State police were reported investigating the Atlantic County fire, which consumed over 400 acres.

Let 'er Roll

By REBECCA GRECHT

It was good to see the enthusiasm with which press directors greeted the first issue of the tabloid Daily Worker Monday night. Let's hope this will be translated into greater activity to boost circulation.

A good opportunity presents itself with the first tabloid issue of The Worker, appearing this Sunday, and containing the first of Earl Browder's weekly columns. We urge clubs to organize a wider sale of the May 7 issue. We urge readers to purchase an extra copy for a shopmate or neighbor.

Leaflets announcing Browder's weekly column are now available at your club or from us.

A Minimum from the Maximum: The Village Club in Manhattan has increased its bundle order of The Worker from 25 to 100. Abe Kantor, club press director, encourages the participation of the maximum number of members by accepting from them the minimum of time. As a result Abe, who began with 3 canvassers a few weeks ago, now has a corps of more than 20 "once a month" canvassers, and others who go out twice a month, either with The Worker or the Daily Worker. A day ahead of the specified time chosen by the canvassers, Abe sends them a card reminding them of their "date with the paper." When Abe recently reported to his club executives on his work, he got eight new volunteers to participate once a month!

Other clubs—take note!

Good News from Edgewater: Gay Mahon, New Jersey Press Director, reports that last Saturday, for the first time, The Worker (mail edition) was sold before the big aluminum plant in Edgewater, Bergen County. Ruth Debrer sold 25 copies in a few minutes. She plans to distribute the leaflet announcing Earl Browder's column at the factory gate this Friday, and to have 50 copies with her on Saturday. Good work, Ruth! Keep it up!

The Spice of Competition: Abe Kantor of the Village Club, has challenged Sam Schultz, press rector of the Chelsea Club, to a Press Circulation contest! Which Club will get the most subscriptions and the best average weekly increase in bundle orders from May 10th to June 10th? The loser takes the winner out to dinner!

The Village Club has done very well recently. But the Chelsea Club is doing fine community work and has excellent opportunities. There'll be stiff competition, we think!

Ohio's on the Map Again: Two months ago, Ohio organized a state circulation campaign for The Worker. During March and April, Ohio clubs sent in 1,427 subscriptions. Significantly, 649 are yearly subs. Elizabeth Riley, the Ohio Press director, writes that they have concentrated yearly subs to help solve the problem of getting renewals every six months.

At last reports, Toledo and Ohio Valley led all other cities and regions.

The drive is not yet over. More news next time.

Nothing but the Truth: Did you notice that when Walter Nash, Chairman of the ILO meeting in Philadelphia, discussed what the Soviet Government Izvestia said about the ILO, he read from the Izvestia statement as reprinted in the Daily Worker? Only in the Daily Worker could he find the word-for-word text.

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The Legion bigwigs, meeting at the Hotel Statler, Washington, applied a thick coat of white wash to the America Firsters, and clapped back the earlier convention delegates for assailing Rep. Fish.

The action was taken at Rep. Fish's request. Past Commander Colmery did the honors in an 11-page report, using the tricky argument that Fish was within "legal" bounds when he let such accused seditionists as Leon C. de Aryan, "Lix" Dilling and others use his Congressional frank.

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The Primary Results

TUESDAY'S primary results are the electoral reflection of the powerful political trends toward progress and national unity developing in the South.

Concentrated against Senators Lister Hill and Claude Pepper were the finances and the strength of all the forces of reaction, of corruption, of feudalism and "white supremacy" that have hitherto dominated the political climate of that region. Bitterly anti-Roosevelt, these forces had the assistance of the other foes of the President throughout the nation.

Their campaign was designed to arouse the worst anti-Negro prejudices of the people and to direct these prejudices against Hill and Pepper. So intense was the "white supremacy" agitation that the Senators felt compelled to make concessions to it.

Despite the virulence of this agitation, the Senators won. And they won not because of any concessions they made to reaction but because they symbolized the policies of the President, particularly his foreign policies. The secessionists and the "Republicrats" were defeated when the issue of the Administration's program was put to the voters, even in a poll tax state.

The political currents that produced these election results were also expressed in the historic conferences of Negro and white Southern leaders that we have been reporting for the past couple of years and in the development of organized labor. They are now bearing electoral fruit.

Starnes' Defeat

If further evidence of this is needed, the primary defeat of Rep. Joe Starnes of Alabama, leading member of the Dies Committee since its inception, provides it.

The primaries also furnished the first practical test of the Supreme Court ruling barring discrimination in primary voting. While the full story is not yet in, reports indicate that many Negro citizens were able to vote for the first time.

Victory for the President's policies was not confined to the South or to the Democratic Party Tuesday. South Dakota's Sen. Chan Gurney, one of the few Republican Congressmen who put nation above party, won renomination despite bitter opposition.

The lesson of these victories is that no concessions need, or should, be made to defeatism and reaction. The pro-Roosevelt forces should now take the offensive on behalf of democracy and national unity. The first step is the abolition of the poll tax.

Ferment in AFL Council

DANIEL TOBIN'S blast against AFL endorsement of the notorious Nye-Day-Dies trio is heartening.

It is heartening even though it was inevitable. These are not the times when the political policies of Mattie Woll and Bruiser Bill Hutcheson will be quietly accepted within the AFL. These policies will be no more acceptable on the national elections than is their conniving at national and international labor disunity.

Hutcheson and Woll, Herbert Hoover's aides, are rowing against America's political floodtide.

In this particular case they were so brazen that their act was certain to be repudiated. To endorse Martin Dies was the same as to OK Bergoff, the notorious strikebreaker, or the late William J. Burns, teacher of stoolpigeons. It was this Dies whom the Phil Pearls and Wolls relied on to hurt the President through the hounding of the CIO Political Action Committee. Nye, too, ally of John L. Lewis and of too many of the accused 30, is a stench in the nostrils of all honest labor men.

Daniel Tobin's union is no small potatoes. It is the largest in the AFL. What he said as its president is agreed to in substance by Edward Flore, head of another large AFL affiliate. Similar sentiments, and even stronger are held by the AFL rank and file.

The AFL council will have to change its attitude or suffer repudiation from its membership.

That council is now in session. AFL affiliates can do great good by wiring Tobin congratulations. They can wire the council, too, telling it to back Tobin and to join all patriotic workers in demanding a fourth term. They can insist upon an end to the proposed deal with Lewis and that CIO-AFL unity be advanced along the lines of the recent joint statement on reconversion. They can urge AFL attendance at the London World Congress.

NOTHING DOING!



— They're Saying in Washington —

Thinking About Unity

by Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON.

"THINK about the possibility of the strength of the voice of united labor in the halls of Congress," AFL President William Green said in a recent speech in New York. By all means, let's think about it.

Green's contribution to unity in this particular speech was to stretch out his arms and, with a quiver in his voice, croon his familiar "come home" song to the CIO. But if Green really wants to consider what unity of the labor movement could accomplish in Congress I have a few tips for him.



He might think about the fact that joint action by the CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhoods has at least materially slowed up the drive to kill price control with crippling amendments. Then he might, by way of contrast, do a little heavy pondering on the AFL's performance on the infamous Frey rider which prevents the National Labor Relations Board from opening a case where a contract has existed for 90 days. "Col." John P. Frey of the AFL Metal Trades conceived of this rider as a jurisdictional weapon against the CIO, hoping that it might help in getting away with collusive contracts with willing employers.

Actually the Frey rider has been a boon to company unionism in most of the 60 cases which have come to the attention of the NLRB. It has repeatedly boomeranged against legitimate AFL unions, such as in the case of the International Association of Machinists in the Baltimore Western Electric.

Nevertheless, the AFL national leaders are actively campaigning for renewal of the Frey rider when the Labor Department Appropriation bill hits the floor, and AFL spokesmen, in testimony before both the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, have demanded that it be approved.

Frey's \$67,000 Slush Fund

Frey is reported to have raised a \$67,000 slush fund to fight for passage of his rider. All the

unions in the metal trades had to come through. Ironically enough, the IAM, which has several times been hit by the Frey rider, felt obliged to kick in \$5,000.

It is bad enough that the reactionary clique in the AFL has made passage of the disruptive, anti-labor Frey rider one of its principal legislative demands. What is even worse is that Frey and other AFL spokesmen have promised anti-labor Senators and Congressmen that their votes for the Smith-Connally Act would be ignored if they voted for the rider.

The effect of this policy is that the AFL has established close contact with many members of Congress who are not generally friendly to labor but who go along on special little jobs. They naturally feel that this is a cheap way of getting AFL support.

Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada, considered by the AFL one of its best friends in Congress, is a case in point. McCarran usually opposes administration legislation, and he has been no ball of fire, to say the least, on the anti-poll tax bill which has official AFL backing.

But he has been heckling the NLRB during appropriation hearings, and boosting the Frey rider. So Green has given him the AFL endorsement for re-election, and the Railway Labor Executives Association said ecstatically as it officially backed McCarran: "During his 12 years in the Senate, Pat McCarran has never failed the working man."

Now Pat McCarran is one of the leaders of the Congressional lynching party against the Administration because it cracked down on a defiant employer and

seized the Montgomery Ward plants. I don't suppose he will forfeit AFL support as a result. After all, he is 100 per cent for the Frey rider. And he doesn't like the CIO.

Green and Martin Dies

All these are things Green might consider while he is pondering the subject of unity. He might contemplate the tremendous contribution to unity he himself made by endorsing Rep. Martin Dies—because Dies has consistently smeared the CIO.

Green said in New York, in his speech to the Millinery Workers' convention, that labor unity was the key to national unity. So he might think about how he helped national unity by endorsing America Firster Gerald P. Nye.

Or he might consider how Lewis Hynes, one of the AFL's principal legislative men, cements unity in the labor movement by traipsing around the country to drum up support for the Republican Party. Hynes, who was Pennsylvania Secretary of Labor under Republican Governor James, got a beating recently when the AFL convention in his home state endorsed President Roosevelt for a fourth term over Hynes' violent objection.

It is good to know that Green is thinking about unity on the legislative front. No doubt lots of AFL members are thinking about it, and maybe this turns Green's thoughts to the subject. But Green might do a little more than croon "come home" to the CIO. He might, for instance, stop being the office boy of men like John P. Frey, Matthew Woll and William Hutcheson.

Worth Repeating

LELAND STOWE (on the first wartime session of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR in his book "They Shall Not Sleep"): These men and women represented more than fifty different races, almost as many as had ever sent delegates to Geneva, and they and their people spoke more than 130 different tongues and dialects. Suddenly the tremendous and incredible scope of the Soviet Union came home to me as it never had before. Nowhere else in the world was a reunion of representatives of so many completely different races and creeds and traditions possible under one roof. The rest of the world's nations might experiment with internationalism, bungle with internationalism, or balk at it and betray it.

TESSIE SIEGEL (first woman member of executive board, Local 1, Bakery and Confectionery Workers, speaking to the German American): If you want to be a good trade unionist you must know a lot of things, so that you can back your ideas and suggestions with facts.

Today's Guest Column

An Insult to American Negroes
That Did Not Go Unchallenged

by Max Yergan

IT IS a commonplace that the war is the over-all issue confronting Negroes. By the same test, of course, no American can avoid issues affecting Negroes, for all Americans must now think of their future jointly with all parts of our population. Likewise that future must be considered in relation to other peoples, including those of the colonial world. I write here from this larger and inclusive point of view.

The New York Times of April 19 carried on its theatrical page an item which I presume was meant to be an ordinary announcement. It turns out, however, to be of extraordinary importance in what it reveals and suggests. Here is the item:

"Christie Mystery in Casting"

"Albert P. de Courville, English film producer and manager, is in the midst of casting *Ten Little Niggers*, Agatha Christie's mystery thriller now current in London, for immediate Broadway production. Lee Shubert will be associated with Mr. de Courville, who was last represented here four years ago as co-sponsor of 'At the Stroke of Eight.' The American version of the Christie play will bear another name."

There was immediate reaction to the serious import of the announcement. The Daily Worker carried an article denouncing the title and exposing its disruptive effect on morale. The National Negro Congress issued a release to the press and telegraphed the British Ambassador at Washington protesting against use of the title of the play in London



where thousands of American troops, including Negroes, must undoubtedly see it.

If you stop and consider the announcement it will do something to you. It will remind you of the suffering, both mental and physical of millions of people, victims of the lust for power of vicious men, who know how to popularize and turn to their credit insulting epithets. That is the first effect of the item. But, significantly, the last line of the announcement reveals an awareness of the result of struggle; it indicates that you cannot thoughtlessly kick people around with insulting names; it reminds you that a war is being fought for some real purposes. Let's examine these two effects.

FIRST, observe the wanton, almost criminal, callousness of somebody in the entertainment field responsible for the title *Ten Little Niggers*. We are told that the play itself hardly suggests such a name. Yet there was no hesitancy in using it, even though it insults 13 million Americans and many more millions abroad. You doubtless know that the term "Nigger" is applied by the makers of colonial propaganda to most non-whites, including Africans, Chinese and Indians.

This is important. It is part of the machinery of persecution and exploitation. First, you vilify a people. Then you proceed to the vicious forms of discrimination and expropriation. This crime of ridiculing and then persecuting people is practiced in large areas of the world. The Times article indicates that the play is running now in London,

chief city of a colonial empire. In such cities colonial propaganda has to be made. I mean that literally. For the average Britisher and Frenchman, just like the average American, simply has no desire to control and rob other people though they are different in color and customs.

THERE is something compelling and commanding in human dignity. There is powerful and protective truth in the inviolability of personality. Substitute vicious rhymes for that dignity and personality or make them matters of shameful laughter and you give a green light to the enslaver, to the greedy, landlord, to the politicking politician, and to that underworld of venal men who play the game of Hitler.

But let me call your attention particularly to the last sentence in the Times announcement: "The American version of the Christie play will bear another name." That one sentence is a volume. It covers at least 80 years of American history. It affirms a glorious fact about New York City and the heart of the American people. It acknowledges the existence of organized forces among Negroes as well as whites who would simply prevent any theatre in this city from displaying such a title.

That is an affirmation which in the international sense reflects the meaning of a peoples' war and a peoples' victory. That is why the great agreements that have come out of this war—Cairo, Moscow, Teheran—are in spirit and in fact the best guarantees that minorities and the colonial peoples shall be free of insult and persecution. That is why the war must be completely won.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Merger on
The March

Minneapolis, Minn.
Editor, Daily Worker:
It was a great demonstration here Sunday (April 16) when the Democratic - Farmer - Labor Party was formed. The people's movement of this state told the world that it is on the way to victory at the November polls. Did your paper note the business-like brevity of the new party's program? It is for Roosevelt and Wallace, against the Republican obstructionists and for winning the war speedily and effectively.

FORREST JOHNSON.

Radio Operators
In the War

Kansas City, Mo.
Editor, Daily Worker:
We had a stirring convention out here lately, that of the American Communications Association, of which I am a member. It sure hit the spot. One of the cracker-jack speeches was by Col. Sol Paul Pink of the armed forces. What he said impressed many of us.

The war is not just the job of the army or navy or signal corps, he said, but of us operators here in America and of all the people for that matter. The whole idea went home. There is nothing so good for unionism and patriotism as a progressive labor convention and Kansas City profited by this one.

L. L. J.

Search Us!

Editor, Daily Worker:
Well, well. What is Pinky Rankin's creator going to do? Resurrect Jo or not? His interview was too cagey.

A FAN.

World-Telegram
History

Editor, Daily Worker:
The World-Telegram has taken up Herbert Hoover's fake sorrow over the suffering children of Europe. That paper would send in "relief" right away, when you and I know it would all be taken over by the Nazis. Goshamighty, haven't we had enough experience with the perfidy of the Hitlerites?
But I forgot. It was the World-Telegram which editorially welcomed that Nazi attack on the Soviet Union with the thought that it would bleed the latter country white. Nuf sed.

DAN N. PEARSON.

Hearst Helps
Poll Taxers

Bronx, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:
If you can stand the stench, watch the Hearst papers. They are telling tales out of school, little by little. Today (April 26) Paul Mallon, favorite Hearst columnist, devotes a whole column in the Journal-American to pooh-poohing the fight against the poll tax. Mallon prepares grist for the poll taxers' mill. That column says as plain as can be: Hearst is against the rights of the Negro people.

DEMOCRAT.

Art for
Readers' Sake

New York City
Editor, Daily Worker:
Your new tabloid issue sounds very interesting. However, I am very much disturbed at your neglect in not having an art page. As most papers in New York have proven their inadequacy and lack of real understanding of art.

E. TRUBAC.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

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Views On Labor News

Why Montgomery Ward Was
Used for the Big 'Incident'

by George Morris

FROM all appearances the Montgomery Ward "incident" will probably go down as the most colossal provocation in the history of this war. The man on the street now knows that this is more than a labor dispute. The dispute with the union only served as the "incident," through which the forces backing Sewell Avery tried to touch off an insurrection against a government at war.

The very heart of the issue was argued not before the National Labor Relations Board or the WLB, but before a federal court in Chicago where attorneys for the company challenged the President's wartime powers. The reason for the seizure order—Ward's refusal to comply with the War Labor Board's order—became secondary. The \$800,000,000 company distributing and manufacturing products for millions of people, challenges the President's right to seize it, regardless of the reason.

Every development in the Montgomery Ward situation is evidence that reactionary forces have long planned this move. It has become a focal point of reactionary and defeatist interest.

FIRST, the very nature of the industry, a gigantic distribution machinery reaching out into thousands of communities, especially to farmers and middle-class people, fits into



the purpose. The chorus of defeatist mouthpieces in Congress have been quick to pick up the cry that every "corner grocer" and "victory gardener" is threatened with seizure. This dovetails perfectly with the phony charge that the President is stifling "free enterprise." They attempt to make every grocer and gas station owner feel now that his "free enterprise" is threatened.

Second, the time chosen. There can hardly be any doubt that some of the forces for whom Avery fronts, are interested in developing a home front diversion to delay or disrupt the imminent invasion. There is certainly no doubt that all of Avery's backers, including the leadership of the Republican Party, regard this development as the opening anti-Roosevelt shot in the election campaign.

Third, the very choice of an industry that is not a direct producer of vital war materials, is significant. This obviously lends itself to more demagogic appeals on the claim that the President has overstepped his powers.

Fourth, cut-backs in war orders are increasing. The forces back of Avery feel that they have squeezed out of the war about all they can. Their minds are set on conversion to peace-time. The fact that the little matter of an invasion for which all the armament was piled up is still due, and that losses must be replaced quickly, are of no interest

to them now. Their interest drops with the decline in orders.

THE first step in conversion to peace for Avery's friends is to get rid of unions or to "reconvert" labor to the status it held before the New Deal. They take the position that while they had to tolerate unions in wartime, they won't do so after the war.

Events since Avery thumbed his nose at the government bear evidence of what he is really up to. A group of union haters among New York's fur manufacturers saw a chance to climb on the bandwagon. A number of insurance firms in New York followed suit, refusing to comply with a WLB decision. Their arguments are exactly those of Avery's lawyers.

In many spots employers have increased provocations, deliberately challenging WLB decisions and ignoring collective bargaining machinery. A strong effort is being made to whip up a nation-wide labor-employer war as they hoped to do when John L. Lewis called his strikes.

Whether they will succeed depends in large measure upon labor itself. This moment is charged with great danger. The danger can be met if labor unites its own ranks and backs the President with all its strength. The fact that reaction has so brazenly revealed its hand could be a valuable lesson to labor. We have been given a preview of what to expect if we fail to reelect the President and to carry through fully his win-the-war policy.

Growing Children

By JEAN WARREN

"MOTHER," Tom asked for the third time in a minute, "where is that boat going to?"

Why do children ask so many questions? Why are they so often disappointed in the answers?

There was a deeper question behind Tom's demand for an answer. The child is really asking, over and over, "Who am I?" "Where did I come from?"

In the questioning there is an unconscious wish to know about his own birth and the "Facts of Life." In a broader sense the child is asking these questions to orientate himself to the world about him. He wants to know what melody the whole orchestra is playing, while he beats out the rhythm on his little drum.

In order to know ourselves we must understand our relationship to other people, and to time and space. The individual can find himself only in the sum of all

these relationships. He matures by interaction with the outside world. The child is groping for the knowledge which will enable him to take his bearings.

TEACHING THEM
THE WORLD

Geography and history have recently become the most popular subjects in the school curriculum. Children are struggling against the insecurity created by the impact of war and fascism against their consciousness. Instinctively they try to root themselves firmly in Time and Space.

We should encourage this desire to know the world. If we teach children the dynamic forces that have forged our present moment in time, the confusion and terror of this world crisis will tend to dissolve. The worst fears are fears of the unknown. If the child understands his own country's history he will find security in its strength. From it he can learn that the history of one nation is part of the history of all nations, and that there has always been struggle, and through struggle, progress.

The Who's, What's and Where's
Children Ask Must Be Answered

If we ourselves learn this history we can teach it to the six-year-old in his terms, and the adolescent in his. (Have you read Francis Franklin's "The Rise of the American Nation" for a clear inspiring guide?) History will not only help the children to understand their own time, it will be the foundation of the strength they need to build the future.

MAKING MAPS ALIVE

History and Geography are close enough to be one science. As man changes so does the meaning of space, climate, and the world's surface change. "Barriers become highways," as one of our finest historians tells us. Using this dynamic interpretation, Geography can become absorbing and fascinating to children of every age. The map of the whole world should be a vivid picture in their minds, because, today, the children are living in the whole world.

The question "Who am I?" can be answered in many ways. It means, too, "What is my relationship to nature?" We will discuss the importance of science and

an understanding of the industrial revolution in the child's orientation, next week.

GROPPERGRAMS



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Jewish, Arab Labor Groups Call for Unity

May Day manifestoes urging Jewish-Arab unity in the Middle East, were issued by Jewish and Arab labor groups, according to a Jerusalem dispatch from the Jewish Telegraph Agency.

The Palestine Federation of Labor's Histadruth, representing 120,000 unionists of various political beliefs, asked Arab groups to recognize that Jewish achievements will raise labor standards in all Arab countries.

"Jewish workers are determined to march forward with their brethren in the Middle East," declared the Histadruth's manifesto, which observers believe to be very significant in the development of the Jewish question.

Mishmar, organ of Hashomer Hatzair, representing the Palestine Socialist League, which polled 25 per cent of the votes in the last federal elections, published both the Arab and Jewish May Day manifestoes.

Histadruth's manifesto thanked English and U. S. workers for assistance to Jewish labor in Palestine. It stressed determination to speed rescue of Jews in occupied Europe, and to build a Jewish national home in Palestine.

Negro College Drive.

The first annual campaign of the United Negro College Fund will be opened at a meeting at 2:30 P.M. today in La Perroquet Suite of the Waldorf-Astoria. The organization, composed of 27 accredited private Negro colleges and universities and their sponsors is appealing for \$1,500,000.

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French Rail Union Leader Tells of Heroic Underground

By GEORGE MORRIS

Back in the pre-war days Lucien Midol, French Communist Deputy, secretary of the 400,000-strong French Railway Workers Federation, would come into his Paris office to review reports on increased organization, contract improvements and similar affairs.

Nowadays, he looks with equal satisfaction upon reports on the number of bridges blown up, trains derailed, German patrols liquidated or the extent to which Nazi arms are held up on the French lines.

The reports come from the same fighting and loyal French railroad workers who elected him as their head in 1920.

I interviewed Midol at Philadelphia, where he is attending the ILO conference as a member of the French government's delegation. Most of his 60 years have been devoted to labor's struggles. Years of hardship include more than three spent in eight Petain prisons. But he has not lost the vigor and kindly face that endeared him to the French workers. The railroad workers are uppermost in his mind.

RAILWAYMEN'S COURAGE

"There is no limit to the courage of our railroad workers," said Midol. "Just to give you an example, I saw a report from our underground just before I left Algiers.



LUCIEN MIDOL

It covered only the period between Nov. 3-6. Listed were 90 separate acts of sabotage, including 27 derailments, destruction of many Nazi patrols, blowing up of bridges and such others. Our loss was only 26."

Midol cited another case where spontaneous work stoppage saved seven railroad workers from execution.

Midol told of a report of a convention Petain stooges in the railroad union held in March. Only one of their candidates won an

office. The recent trend among the workers to get into the phony union and make it useless for Petain is bearing fruit.

Midol is one of France's top veteran labor leaders. He is alive today thanks to the timely arrival of Allied troops in North Africa. Even at that, Midol spent three extra months in an Algiers prison because he and his companions refused to sign a pledge of allegiance to Giraud.

ALGIERS UNIONS

No sooner was he freed in February, 1943, than he was put in charge of rebuilding the trade unions of North Africa. From practically nothing, the unions rose rapidly to a membership of 95,000 today, about the membership of the 1936 high-water mark. Communists, says Midol, have been the primary dynamic force in the revival of North Africa labor organization. It has been a powerful pro-labor influence upon the De Gaulle government and its post-war plans.

Midol hopes to have an opportunity to tell his dramatic stories to American audiences. But, above all, he is anxious to be back home when the invasion strikes.

He will be one of the speakers at the Final Session of the 1944 National Convention of the Communist Party Tuesday night, May 23, at Madison Square Garden.

Cite Church OK Of Priest's Trip

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 3 (UP).—Father Stanislaus Orlemanski's mission to Moscow was undertaken with the full knowledge of a "High Catholic official at Washington," friends of the priest here revealed in answer to a charge that the priest was a "traitor to Christianity," attributed to Representative John Lesinski.

These sources also declared that the State Department OK'd Orlemanski's trip upon advice of the "high Catholic official."

It had been disclosed yesterday that Orlemanski plans to visit London, and will confer with a representative of the Vatican somewhere in Italy, before returning home.

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About the Newly-Formed Council For a Democratic Germany

By JOSEPH STAROBIN

The Council for a Democratic Germany, whose formation was announced yesterday, signifies the most representative unity yet achieved in the German anti-fascist emigra-

— Interpretation, Please

tion here. In fact, the curious thing about the new Council is that its American sponsors are much less representative, much more restricted to dubious figures than the Germans. Many readers, like myself, must have been puzzled by this fact. At this writing, I can only promise more information later on.

Certainly, we cannot agree with Rex Stout's attack on the Council. His desire to enforce a strong peace upon Germany, while laudable, is no reason to suspect the good faith of the new Council.

FAR-REACHING UNITY

It is in fact a substantial unity of German anti-fascists from the "Catholic center" to the "far left." While its program is obviously a compromise of many conflicting ideas, the decisive thing is the absence of the most rabid anti-Soviet, anti-Communist Social-Democrats. Men like Friedrich Stampfer, former editor of the Berliner Vorwarts and the group around Gerhardt Seger's Neue Volkszeitung were either excluded from the Council or would not join it.

This is the crowd which has been advising Hitler from this side of the Atlantic to "hold firm" against the Red Army, and bases itself on the hope of splitting the Anglo-American powers from the Soviet Union. The only name among the German signers who reminds us of these unregenerate Social-Democrats is Albert C. Grzesinski, former Prussian minister of Interior. I understand he decided some time ago that Stampfer had no future in Germany at all.

The new group's program tends to straddle many vital issues. But it quite properly emphasizes first, that the German people must "bear the consequences" of Hitler's war and second, that the solution of the German question must be a creative one. The coming liquidation of the Nazis must be accomplished by the Germans themselves," it says. But it might also be added that the United Nations cannot afford to gamble on whether or not the German people arise

against Hitler. They must be prepared to liquidate fascism in any case and by the strongest measures.

Undoubtedly, this will mean, as the program stresses, the destruction of "the large landholders, the big industrialists, the military caste, which helped Hitler to power."

THE 'IF' IN THE PROGRAM

On the other hand, the program shies away from "dismemberment of Germany economically or politically," as making it difficult for the German people to carry out large-scale reparations after the war. While such a position is understandable, and we can all oppose dismemberment in principle, the fact remains that territorial changes at Germany's expense may be the only way for the United Nations to achieve security, and enforce the peace in the immediate post-war period.

A lot will depend on what, and how the German people discharge their own responsibilities. We can agree with the program when it urges that all movements by the German people themselves to stamp out Nazis should be encouraged.

To facilitate such movements, the new Council ought obviously establish fraternal relations with the Free Germany committee in Moscow, the Freie Deutschland groups in Mexico and London.

As for the American sponsors, it looks like the Union for Democratic Action and Freedom House have preferred to monopolize the endorsement of the Council. Such dubious characters as Roger Baldwin or Alfred Baker Lewis or even George S. Counts find themselves on a committee with Prof. Henry Pratt Fairchild, Emil Rieve of the United Textile Workers, CIO, and Dorothy Thompson.

Whether or not such combinations are lasting, and built on principle remains to be seen. Certainly they do not represent large enough numbers of Americans interested in a democratic Germany.

Soviet-Czech Pact Assures Self-Rule

The Czechoslovak government will administer its territories liberated by the Red Army, according to the full text of a Soviet-Czechoslovak agreement made public in Moscow yesterday by the Soviet vice-foreign commissar, Andrei Vishinsky.

The agreement, made on the Czechoslovak initiative, was approved by the USSR and met no objections from the United States. According to United Press, the British government has concurred.

The full agreement, in nine articles, provides that a representative of the Czechoslovak government will administer "territory cleared of the enemy," "restore the Czechoslovak military forces" and "ensure active assistance of the Czechoslovak administration to the Soviet commander-in-chief."

Article III provides that Czechoslovak army units now fighting with the Red Army will "immediately be used on Czechoslovak territory."

Although, "supreme authority and responsibility on all matters pertaining to the conduct of the war in the zone of military operations" will lie with the commander-in-chief of the Soviet armed forces, complete control will rest with the Czechoslovak government as soon as the war has passed to new zones.

During operations, a Czechoslovak liaison with the Red Army will be maintained. Special provisions are made for financial agreements.

MILITARY JURISDICTION

All persons belonging to Soviet troops will be subject to Soviet jurisdiction, while all Czechoslovak military personnel are under their own jurisdiction.

In cases of crimes committed against Soviet troops, the Czechoslovak authority will be supreme, except in the zone of immediate military operations.

Vishinsky emphasized the Soviet Union's fraternal respect for Czechoslovakia during the Munich crisis, and stressed that the present agreement flows from the mutual assistance treaty of May, 1935, and the extension of that treaty in December, 1943.

New Fish Flop On Polish Border

A Polish Constitution Day was marked (or marred) yesterday by Rep. Hamilton Fish, who in a radio address for the occasion predicted that "surrender" of Polish territory to the Soviet Union would "sow the seeds of another war."

A slam at the Soviet Union and its liberating Red Army is indeed a fishy way to contribute to Poland's freedom.

Draft-FDRAffair May 12

Senator Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.), will speak at the "Draft Roosevelt" dinner, of the Brooklyn American Labor Party Friday evening, May 12, at the Hotel Commodore.

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Senators Clear CIO Political Action Group

WASHINGTON, May 3. — The Senate Committee on Campaign Practices yesterday exonerated the CIO Political Action Committee of charges that it had violated the Smith-Connally and Hatch Acts.

Two members of the Department of Justice testified before the Senate Committee that nothing had been done by the Political Action Committee (PAC) to break these laws, which bar union financial aid to election drives of particular candidates.

Theodore F. Green (D., R. I.) chairman of the Senate body, stated the committee was satisfied the CIO was expending its funds to educate members and help pay poll taxes.

Attorney General Biddle recently had also cleared the PAC of this charge.

The charge was brought by reactionary congressmen who are being opposed for reelection by labor. Chief among them are polltaxers Rep. Howard Smith, Virginia and Martin Dies, Texas.

Ward Poll Set For Tuesday

CHICAGO, May 3 (UP). — An election to determine whether a CIO union shall represent employees of the Government-seized Montgomery Ward and Co. plant here will be held next Tuesday, George J. Bott, regional director of the National Labor Relations Board, announced today.

The date was set after Bott conferred with company officials and representatives of the United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees, who previously had requested a 21-day extension to prepare.

Pending in Federal district court is a Government application for a permanent injunction restraining company officials from interfering with operation of the firm by the Department of Commerce.

The Spotlight, union publication, was distributed today to employees. The magazine announced the union intended to sue the company for wages lost during the 13-day strike preceding the Government seizure.

Partisans Honored

By Wireless to Inter-Continental News

MOSCOW, May 3. — Expressing its profound appreciation of the heroic Polish underground fighters, the Presidium of the Union of Polish Patriots awarded military ranks and decorations to a group of partisans operating in Volhynia.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and The Worker are 25c per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).
DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, Wednesday at 4 P.M.

Tonight Manhattan

CULTURAL AND FOLK DANCE Group, 125 E. 16th St. Volunteer folk singers and dancers wanted to prepare for a Russian Folk Festival for the benefit of Russian children. 8:30 P.M.

Tomorrow Manhattan

REVIEW OF THE WEEK Friday, 8:30 P.M. Kumar Goshal will review the "Balkan Scene" and the current "Sedition Trial" as well as other major events of the week. Jefferson School of Social Science, 575 Sixth Ave. 50c.

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Philadelphia, Pa.

BACK THE INVASION RALLY and May Day Celebration, Robert Minor, Mother Bloor, John Williamson, Frank Cestare, Rev. Comfort, Mae Forbes. Songs by Laura Duncan and Jack De Merchant. Broadway Hotel Auditorium, Broad and Wood Sts., Friday, May 5th, 8 P. M. Opening session Communist Convention, Eastern Pa.



Belts of .50 caliber machine gun bullets are being given their final inspection on the deck of an American warship preparing to go into action against the Japanese in the South Pacific.

— C.P. Recruiting — Modern Ways of Mass Education

By GUS HALL

An even larger number of workers and other sections of the population, as a result of practical experience, recognize the Communists as a force that has helped give leadership to our nation along the road of progress. This growing recognition arises because of our ability to point to pitfalls and avoid blind alleys, to lead in the direction of greater national unity, and because of the consistency and stability of our line and policies.

It is on this premise that we approach the problem of educating and bringing into the life of the Party the 50 per cent or more of our members who are relatively new in the organization.

For example the conception still prevails that it is sufficient to have a speaker at a Club meeting. This does not meet the need of a club of 150 members, of whom 30 to 40 attend meetings.

Instead, we must master the methods of large American mass organizations, in which the work is carried on mainly through committees. We could well say: "Make every member a committeeman." Then educational work can be tied in closely with the particular fields or problems of these committees.

Moreover, we must begin to master methods of mass education, deepening and raising the level of thinking of the ward or community. Here we utilize our leaflets, posters, movies, forums, meetings, literature and press, house gatherings, social events, billboards and the radio.

AFL Hatters Unanimously Ask 4th Term

The convention of the United Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers, by unanimous standing vote, yesterday adopted a resolution calling on the President to run for a fourth term.

Acting on a proposal of President Max Zaritsky, the delegates of the AFL union at Hotel New Yorker also called upon the entire labor movement to get behind the President and expressed confidence that he will win.

The enthusiasm of the delegates wasn't a bit dampened by the 40-minute message of defeatism, garnished with attacks on the Roosevelt administration, delivered earlier by reactionary vice-president Matthew Woll of the AFL.

Zaritsky introduced the subject with a dramatic appeal, reminding the representatives of 40,000 members what the New Deal has meant in American life. He recalled that in 1940 practically the entire press was against the President "but the people were behind him."

PEOPLE WILL PREVAIL

"Today, the will of the people will again prevail," he said.

The Montgomery Ward incident is a provocative move against the President and his win-the-war policy, Mr. Zaritsky said. He pointed out that the company would willingly concede on many details affecting its labor relations if it would help to defeat Roosevelt.

Woll described the Soviet Union as in the "hands of the forces of darkness" and he lumped it together with fascist Italy and Germany.

A picture of general unemployment, deflated wages and high prices was drawn of postwar days while government intervention to promote security was branded a "threat to freedom."

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Briton Tells AFL: USSR Unions Free

LONDON, May 3 (ALN). — Sharp criticism of the AFL for refusing to participate in the world labor conference, opening here June 5, was voiced this week by H. N. Harrison, a member of the general council of the British Trades Union Congress.

Harrison, one of Britain's most conservative trade unionists, was a TUC fraternal delegate to last fall's AFL's convention.

"The AFL leaders refuse to participate because they allege that Soviet trade unions are vassals of the state," he declared. "I want to say that, on the basis of my experience and knowledge of Soviet trade unions, they are as democratic and free as our trade unions. The structure of the union movement in Russia is much like ours."

Urges 4th Term

A resolution calling for a fourth term and another commending the President upon his action in the Montgomery Ward case, were yesterday unanimously adopted by a membership meeting of Walters and Waitresses, Local 16, AFL.

Union Wires Support On Ward Case

BUFFALO, May 3. — A wire backing President Roosevelt in the Montgomery Ward case went out today from 186 CIO steel workers at Farrel-Birmingham Co.,

"The War Labor Board must be upheld," they said. "Avery should be prosecuted for interference with the war effort."

Leo Levinson, president of United Steelworkers Lodge 3126, which is collective bargaining agent in the shop, urged labor to rally behind the administration.

In New York, the Stewards Council of Local 1227 of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, wired Federal authorities their support of the Montgomery Ward action and distributed leaflets to 8,000 workers in 40 Queens shops urging every union member to take similar action.

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The LOW DOWN -

Maybe Gallagher and Not Wilson Is Responsible for Cubs

NAT LOW

That was an interesting column on the Cubs Stanley Frank had in yesterday's "Post" and although he says, "ineptitude and inexperience in the front office have undermined a one-time perennial power," he does not mention one Jimmy Gallagher by name and you can't really put your finger on the troubles of the Cubs without naming this guy.

Frank thinks that Jimmy Wilson was a bad manager. This may or may not be true—but almost any manager would have found it impossible to build a pennant threat with a man like Gallagher around.

Naturally, all baseball front offices have very close ties with the manager and the player and that's the way it should be—but once this relationship becomes nothing but an intrigue, all hope disappears.

Gallagher, as you no doubt know, is an ex-scar, a title he received years back during the Hearst newspaper strike in Chicago. He has never been able to live down that title although there were many times when a decent, human action on his part would have won him many friends.

When he was made head of the front office he carried over his reactionary ideas to the team, cutting salaries left and right, causing dissensions here and there and generally pitting man against man.

Jimmy Wilson's furious antagonism to Lou Novikoff, who has never developed into that fearful slugger so many people predicted for him when he first came up, was in no small way the result of Gallagher's hatred for the Coast slugger.

Gallagher was the guy who originally loused up Novikoff and why he should have done that to a potential batting champion and terrific gate attraction is a mystery baseball men have still been unable to solve.

It may be traced to the fact that Lou was independent enough to ask for a decent salary his first season in the majors in 1941. Gallagher didn't like this much. His idea of a rookie, no matter how talented, was a cringing, meek and submissive youngster who would gladly take any salary offered him.

Thus, Novikoff was almost a revolutionist, in Gallagher's opinion, when he insisted upon receiving a little more than the pittance the Cub front office boss was offering him.

Some people learn the hard way of course—including the luckless Jimmy Wilson who fell for Gallagher's line about Novikoff and a few years later found himself beheaded, as well, with Gallagher still in the driver's seat.

And I have an idea that the very busy Phil Wrigley is going to take inventory of the situation one of these days and Mr. Gallagher will suddenly find himself working for a living.

At that, there's a great need for welders in the shipyards of the nation.

The Loose Ends

Lou Boudreau, the no-longer boy manager of the Cleveland Indians, yesterday found himself in the ranks of the 4F's after an induction physical examination. The MD's put thumbs down on Lou because of a pair of bad knees that are constantly folding up. . . . Thus, Lou is stuck with his Indians for another season.

The Yankees are now donning another championship—the hard luck title of baseball. Besides losing a whole batch of terrific ball players to the various branches of the armed forces, manager Joe McCarthy came down with a serious illness at the season's start.

Tuesday they lost one of their very few outfielders when Tuck Stainback broke his leg while making a needless slide into second base in the game with the A's. . . . During the same contest they almost lost promising Don Savage who ran into the stands chasing a foul fly and was stretched out cold for a goodly number of minutes. . . . All of which must be hastening Joe McCarthy's recovery a great deal.

Al Davis, better, if not more correctly known as Bummy, packed another large crowd into the Broadway Arena Tuesday evening by salting away a young man by the name of Johnny Doughwillow in six rounds. A barrage of left hooks, as only the inimitable Brownsville heity can throw, put Doughwillow on the canvas twice in that last round before the referee brought an end to the mayhem. . . . Bummy will never be a champion but he'll make himself a passel of dough in these small club affairs.

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Yanks, Dodgers Cop; Giants Again Beaten

The Yankees won their second ball game in a row from the Athletics down in Philadelphia yesterday when Hank Borowy won his third straight contest, 3-1. Fordham Hank set the A's down with six, being robbed of a shutout in the ninth inning when the Mackmen pushed across their sole run.

The Yankees without Tuck Stainback in the outfield, tallied once in the opening inning, once again in the eighth frame and one more in the final heat. They managed to put together seven hits off the pitching of the veteran Luke Hamlin, ex-Dodger.

The Dodgers made their streak three in a row by beating the Braves at Ebbets Field, 4-2, a three-run rally in the ninth inning doing the trick. Fred Ostermueller started for Durocher and went to the ninth inning when Hal Gregg took over. Gregg was the winning pitcher. Nate Andrews hurled until the ninth frame when the Dodger rally forced him out and brought in Charlie Barrett.

At the Polo Grounds the Giants dropped their third game in a row and their fourth in the last five when big Bill Lee, ex-Cub pitcher, set them down with five hits to win for the Phillies, 7-1.

GAMES TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York at Boston.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh.
Cincinnati at Chicago.
Other clubs not scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago at Cleveland.
Detroit at St. Louis.
Other clubs not scheduled.

RADIO

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF-Read to Life
WOR-News-Tro Harper
WJZ-Breakfast With Breneman
WABC-Honeymoon Hill
11:15-WEAF-Vie and Sade
WOR-Talks and Music
WABC-Second Husband
11:30-WEAF-Brave Tomorrow
WJZ-Gilbert Martyn, News
WABC-Bright Horizon
11:45-WEAF-David Harum
WOR-Tube's Topics-Talk
WJZ-Variety Show
WABC-Aunt Jenny's Stories
11:55-WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF-News Reports
WJZ-Dr. Francis C. Stiller
WABC-News; Kate Smith's Chat
12:15-WEAF-Rhyme and Rhythm
WOR-Healthful Melodies
WJZ-Correspondents Abroad
WABC-Die Sister
12:25-WJZ-News; Farm-House Hour
12:30-WEAF-Sky High, Variety Show
WOR-News; Juke Box
WABC-Helen Trent
12:45-WABC-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WEAF-Mary Margaret McBride
WOR-News; Jack Berch, Songs
WJZ-H. H. Bankhead, News
WABC-Life Can Be Beautiful
1:15-WJZ-Woman's Exchange Show
WABC-Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR-Let's Be Charming
WABC-Bernardine Flynn, News
1:45-WEAF-Morgan Beatty, News
WJZ-String Ensemble
WABC-The Goldbergs

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF-The Guiding Light
WOR-Martha Deane Program
WJZ-News Comments
WABC-Portia Faces Life
WQXR-Howard Univ. Glee Club
2:15-WEAF-Today's Children
WJZ-The Mystery Chef
WABC-Joyce Jordan
2:30-WEAF-Light of the World
WOR-News; Consumer Quiz
WJZ-Ed East and Polly
WABC-Young Dr. Malone
2:45-WEAF-Betty Crocker-Talk
WABC-Perry Mason
3:00-WEAF-A Woman of America
WOR-The Black Castle
WJZ-Morton Downey, Songs
WABC-Mary Marlin
3:15-WEAF-Ma Perkins
WOR-Sunny Skylar, Songs
WJZ-Appointment With Life
WABC-News-Bob Trout
WQXR-Broadway-Ethel Colby
3:30-WEAF-Pepper Young
WOR-Dr. Eddy's Food Forum
WABC-Now and Forever
3:45-WEAF-Right to Happiness
WJZ-Ethel and Albert
WABC-This Life Is Mine
4:00-WEAF-Backstage Wife
WOR-John Gambling-Talk
WJZ-Blue Frolics, Variety
WABC-Broadway Matinee
4:15-WEAF-Stella Dallas
4:25-WABC-News; Recorded Music

Giant Bubble Bursts And Ott Has His Woes

By PHIL GORDON

When the Giants trudged back to their dressing room after yesterday's 7-1 defeat at the hands of Bill Lee and the Phillies, one of the most dejected of the Polo Grounders was Mel Ott whose troubles are beginning to catch up to him.

Sad to relate, the Giants have come back to normal after a thrilling and intoxicating, if unrealistic, start which saw them sweep from the barrier for five straight victories.

Yesterday's loss was not only the fourth defeat in the last five games for the Otters, it was also the third straight kayo Ace Adams has suffered in his attempt to become as successful a starting pitcher as he had been a relief hurler.

Adams, the broad-shouldered workhorse who last year broke the major league record for appearances with 70, failed to last past the fourth frame yesterday when the Phils rammed across five runs, to make it a total of seven for the four innings of play.

In Saturday's start against the Dodgers Ace Adams went until the sixth inning. He gave up four runs and 11 hits in that period and had little but a prayer on the ball.

Yesterday he pitched spottily. He had no speed, not much control and little change of pace. The Phils hit him hard and often, totaling seven hits.

Adams has discovered that there is a world of difference between spot pitching for one or two innings and starting assignments which call for bearing down the whole length of the game.

Ott may not be fully convinced yet as to Adams' failure as a starting hurler and will probably give him another shot, but if he falls Ace will be back in his favorite spot in the right field bullpen.

His failure has only served to highlight the real weakness of the Giants which had been hidden during the club's early splurge. Ott has no pitching. True, Bill Voiselle has proved to be an eye-opener but the others, Cliff Melton, Ewald Pyle, Adams and Harry Feldman have been anything but magnificent.

Added to this is the failure of the vaunted Giant batting power outside of that unbelievable 26-8 scandal against the Dodgers Sunday. Phil Weintraub batted in 11 runs that day but before and after that he has been unable to hit the ball out of the infield.

Joe Medwick has begun to taper off and Ernie Lombardi, while still hitting a hard ball, has hit them straight at the fielders. Ott himself, despite his three homers, has not been up to snuff. The others, Hausmann, Luby and Kerr were not counted upon for much hitting and have fully lived up to their early season promise.

So that's the picture. The Giants have taken but two games since their five-game winning streak, during which time they have dropped five. They are now only two games above the .500 mark, and if Horace Stoneham doesn't come through with another starting hurler, Mel Ott's nerves will again be in for a lot of wear and tear.

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7:05-8 P.M. WNYC (also FM)-Masterwork Hour, with Lily Pons as soloist
8-9 P.M. WQXR (also FM)-Symphony Hall

9:30-10 P.M. WOR-Songs Treasury, with Licia Albanese, soprano; Bruno Landi, tenor, and Antonini Orchestra
10:30-11 P.M. WOR-The Symphonette
12 P.M.-1 A.M. WEVD-Symphonic Hour

4:30-WEAF-Lorenzo Jones
WOR-Full Speed Ahead
WJZ-News-W. Van Voorhis
4:45-WEAF-Young Widder Brown
WJZ-The Sea Hound
WABC-Raymond Scott Orchestra
5:00-WEAF-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Uncle Don
WJZ-Hop Harrigan
WABC-Eddie Dunn Show
WQXR-Florence Band, Soprano
5:15-WEAF-We Love and Learn
WOR-Archie Andrews
WJZ-Dick Tracy
WQXR-E. M. Sternberger, News
5:25-WQXR-News; The Bandstand
5:30-WEAF-Just Plain Bill
WOR-Chick Carter
WJZ-Jack Armstrong
WABC-Burl Ives, Songs
5:45-WEAF-Front Page Farrell
WOR-Superman
WJZ-Captain Midnight
WABC-American Women
WQXR-Man About Town

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF-News Reports
WOR-Sydney Mossley, News
WJZ-News; John B. Kennedy
WABC-News; Ned Calmer
6:15-WEAF-Concert Orchestra
WOR-Imogen Carpenter, Songs
WJZ-Terry and the Pirates
WABC-Sports-Ted Husing
6:30-WOR-News-Strunk Singler
WJZ-Whose War Is This?
WABC-Adventures of Mark Twain
6:40-WEAF-Sports-Bill Stern
6:45-WEAF-Lowell Thomas
WOR-Sports, Stan Lomax
WJZ-Henry J. Taylor, News
WABC-The World Today, News
6:55-WABC-Joseph C. Harach, News
7:00-WEAF-Fred Waring Orchestra
WOR-Pulton Lewis, Jr., News
WJZ-Kelly's Courthouse
WABC-I Love a Mystery
WQXR-Lisa Sergio, News
7:15-WEAF-News-John Vandercook
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8:30-WEAF-The Aldrich Family
WOR-Human Adventure
WJZ-Town Meeting
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Literary Lookout

Second Printing of 'Spring Science
And Society' on the Stands This Week

By SAMUEL PUTNAM

This reporter never thought that he would live to see the day when the New York Times would actually contribute to the dissemination of Marxism, but believe it or not, my friends, that day is here!

As a result of the Times editors' ignorant and ludicrous distortion of the article by L. A. Leontiev and other Soviet economists in the current Spring issue of Science & Society, that number of the magazine has entirely sold out, and this week a "second printing" appears on the stands — despite the fact that the type had already been distributed! It was a costly procedure, but there was nothing else to do. Thanks to the Times, the entire country, it seems, now wants to know what the Marxian theory of value really is and how it works out in the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, this affords us an opportunity to say something about one or two other articles in the same issue which are quite too important to overlook, but which, in the excitement over the discovery of the Times' political illiteracy (though why we should be surprised at that, I'm sure I don't know) got lost in the shuffle, somehow.

DIDEROT'S VIEWS

One of these is Lyman R. Bradley's article on "Literary Trends under Hitler." This is definitely a must for all those who would understand precisely what the National Socialist brand of fascism does to literature and to the cultural life of a people. We see here, for example, how the fascists avail themselves of certain previous tendencies in writing which, properly distorted, lend themselves to the purposes of mass-stultification and mass-enslavement with the ultimate objective always of imperialist world-conquest.

We see how the Nazis took the old nineteenth-century "Heimat-

kunst," a form of literary art which stressed the country and rural life in opposition to the city, and made of it an escapist medium, by way of keeping the masses from thinking about the problems of today, which center in the city and around the working class. Nazi "literature," as Dr. Bradley observes, thus becomes in good part "the extension of the Heimatkunst of the previous generations, decorated with the swastika and inflated with the racial philosophy of the Nazis."

DIDEROT'S WRITINGS

We also hear of Dr. Goebbels' "steely romanticism" and are able to perceive just what it really is. Back of it all lie the doctrines of "Rassenkunde," of "racial purity," of "Blut und Boden" (Blood and Soil), and all the rest, with the awful specter of anti-Semitism stalking everywhere.

While you have the magazine in your hands, you will want to turn to Charles Pipton's important paper on "The Social Thought of Diderot." Mr. Pipton is a Canadian writer, and is, I believe, new to the pages of Science & Society. It would be hard to over-estimate the value of the contribution which he makes here to our knowledge and comprehension of Diderot's social background. It is a bit strange, but heretofore this side of the great Encyclopedist has been rather neglected. We have thought of him as a writer on scientific subjects, as an aesthetician and art critic, etc., without pausing, to any great extent, to place him as a citizen and social thinker.

This is putting the cart before the horse, inasmuch as Diderot's scientific, aesthetic and other views are only understandable when we are able to look at the society of his time through his own eyes.

MOVIES

Mark Twain's Life Story Well Told

By David Platt

Warner Bros. have turned out a magnificent biographical study of the great author of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. The new film at the Hollywood Theatre may be a bit conservative in its treatment of Mark Twain, but it is the finest possible introduction to the man William Dean Howells once called "the Lincoln of our literature, the very marrow of Americanism."

"The Adventures of Mark Twain" is an honest presentation of the democratic way of life even though it is concerned only with Mark Twain the humorist and not Mark Twain the satirist who wrote against imperialism and property morality and had a "luminous vision" of organized labor as the only salvation for the working class. It is the story of the author of "The Jumping Frog," the publisher of Grant's memoirs, the man whose "silly remarks" made people laugh. It is not the story of the man who thanked God for the French Revolution, "that ever memorable and blessed revolution which swept a thousand years off... villainy away in one swift tidal wave of blood." Nevertheless "The Adventures of Mark Twain" is rich,

healthy, solid, exciting in many other ways.

We see Sam Clemens first as a boy deeply in love with the great river he was later to write about so brilliantly. The Mississippi mud having entered his soul for good, young Clemens runs away from home to become the best river pilot in the country. Later he goes West in a futile search for gold. Winding up as a newspaperman in a small town, he turns out a short story based on a frog-jumping contest that becomes the talk of the country, even in the midst of civil war.

The author has an extremely tactless encounter with a group of famous New England men of letters. His bad investments necessitate a lecture tour around the world to pay off his debts. He receives a degree from Oxford. There is much—much more to "The Adventures of Mark Twain." There's

a goodly share of Twain's humor in the film, but unfortunately not enough of his real attitude toward the world in which he lived as expressed in his later works. The production is a worthy one, very high up among Warner films. The cast is excellent in every respect. The film is a great personal triumph for Frederic March. Taking everything into consideration, Warners have produced a film about America that should be seen by everyone, a film so expressive of the American way of life it should be sent around the world as our good-will ambassador.

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Late Bulletins

Smith Balked in Ruse to Sneak Anti-WLBBill Through Committee

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3. — Rep. Brent Spence of Kentucky, chairman of the House Banking and Currency Committee, today declared that the Smith amendments to cripple the War Labor Board were not germane to the Price Control Bill and that he would refuse to report them.

Spence made his announcement after a sharp attack against the Smith amendments by CIO general counsel Lee Pressman who said that they would bring "chaos" into war industry.

Vice-President Walter P. Reuther and Consumers Counsel Donald Montgomery of the United Auto-

mobile Workers attacked the profits strike of textile manufacturers against low price work clothes.

Montgomery pulled out a Sunday edition of the New York Times and displayed advertisements for "side-walk cafe lunch gowns" selling for as high as \$35 while manufacturers are refusing to make work clothes and house dresses.

"I think you have made a vicious attack on the cotton textile industry," Rep. Fred Crawford of Michigan, Republican, exploded.

"You may be fighting for 'side-walk cafe lunch gowns' but I am not," Montgomery retorted. "What we need is more war production."

French Execute Falangist Army Officer

ALGIERS, May 3 (UP).—Lt. Col. Pierre Cristofini, an organizer of the African Falange, was executed by a firing squad this morning for recruiting troops to bear arms against France in Tunisia.

Farley Asks Dewey Call Special Elections

Democratic State Chairman James A. Farley yesterday called on Gov. Dewey to order special elections to fill the Congressional posts left vacant by the death in March of Rep. Thomas H. Gullen of Brooklyn and Rep. James A. O'Leary of Staten Island.

Farley said he was forced to act because of the Governor's "continued delay."

Pepper, Hill Widen Primary Leads

Incomplete returns from 1,309 of Florida's 1,497 precincts in that state's primaries yesterday showed Sen. Claude Pepper clinching his return to Washington for another six years, the United Press reported yesterday. Pepper had 166,943 votes to 109,192 for Judge Ollie Edmunds, his nearest challenger and rabidly anti-Administration. In Alabama, Sen. Lister Hill, with three-fourths of the state vote in, was leading James A. Simpson by a 20,000 majority.

Dodgers, Yanks Win; Giants Lose Again

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Outlook Better for Kilgore Reconversion Measure

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3. — The drive of organized labor to assure passage of an over-all reconversion bill rather than piece-meal legislation benefiting only industry picked up support in the Senate today.

Senator Harley Kilgore, sponsor of a reconversion bill endorsed by the CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhoods, made an effort to postpone consideration of the Murray-George contract termination bill so that it could be broadened and improved, but withdrew his motion when he discovered that it would interfere with prompt consideration of the anti-politax bill next week.

He will offer his bill section by

section tomorrow, and it is possible that some parts of it, including the provision of unemployment compensation for displaced war workers, may be approved.

Kilgore today succeeded in getting commitments from Senators Walter George of Georgia, James Murray of Montana and Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan in favor of keeping Congress in session until the humane side of reconversion is taken care of.

CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhood leaders, accompanied by Senators Kilgore and Murray, today presented the need for more adequate reconversion legislation in a conference with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes.

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Soviet long-range bombers, blasting vital Nazi supply junctions on the West Ukrainian Front followed up Tuesday's battering of Lvov and Stanislov with another pasting last night. The raid on Lvov was the 12th in 15 nights, a softening-up process designed to cripple enemy troop movements when the Red Army opens its offensive. More than 90 German planes were destroyed in the raids on the two centers on Tuesday.

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The Veteran Commander

Immobilizing German Reserves

IT HAS been announced that British and American bombers, during April dropped about 100,000 tons of bombs on Axis territory in Europe, or somewhat better than two tons per minute. American "heavies" alone delivered 43,500 tons of this total, in 36,000 sorties. British "heavies" dropped 38,000 tons, the balance having been dropped by mediums, fighter-bombers, etc. American losses were less than 3 per cent in bombers and about 1 per cent in fighters.

As indicated before, all Allied Air Forces in all European theatres (American, British and Soviet) have been concentrating for more than a week almost exclusively on railroads, aiming at immobilizing the German reserves and depriving them of the ability to rush quickly to danger points. It is clear that the German defense against the coming onslaught can be based in the main only on such mobility, because the German cannot possibly man the entire probable periphery of invasion with adequate forces. Thus the present bombing campaign is designed to bring about operational paralysis to the Wehrmacht in the west and should be interpreted as marking the last stage of invasion preparations.

Interesting reports come from London (on the basis of an analysis of German comment and analyses on the radio and in the press) to the effect that the Germans are concentrating what bomber strength they have left against the Red Army in the hope of holding it while the garrisons of the "invasion coast" hold the Allies without the assistance of much air power. However, this probably pertains to the bomber force. The Germans have certainly saved up considerable fighter strength for D-Day in the west.

No major action was reported from any

of the European land fronts.

A POWERFUL squadron (or squadrons) of the U. S. Navy returning from action in connection with the Hollandia-Humboldt Bay amphibious operation, bombed and shelled the Japanese installations in the area of Truk and Ponape. While the big guns of the Fleet were raking the enemy bases, carrier planes dropped 800 tons of bombs on them. The Japanese lost 126 planes in these battles. Our losses were only 30 men missing. Our ships suffered no damage.

Planes taking off from our new Pacific bases blasted Wake Island as well as the Carolines.

British and American submarines are disclosed to have sunk 17 Japanese ships, including four warships in the Pacific, while British naval forces sent five enemy ships to the bottom in the Bay of Bengal (near the Andaman Islands).

Our planes and PT boats sank 20 enemy barges trying to sneak out of battered Wewak and from the Aitape area.

Thus the Pacific is alive with our offensive and consistently successful action.

JAPANESE communications between Myitkyina and Mandalay were further strangled by the actions of the Chindits. Chinese forces continued to advance toward Mogaung from the north.

The situation around Imphal remains rather obscure. However, it may be said now with reasonable assurance that the enemy has failed to attain the strategic objectives of the Manipur campaign (i.e. he will not be able to cut the Bengal-Assam railroad before the monsoons set in two weeks hence).

The situation in Honan and Anhwei remains extremely serious and it is to be feared that the Japanese offensive in the area of Changsha which is bound to come this early summer will now be supported by an unbroken line from Peiping to Hankow (which was never the case before).

